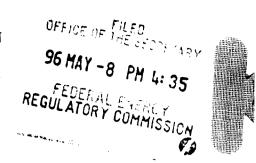
BEFORE THE FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY WASHINGTON, D.C.



In The Matter of Merger Policy Under The Federal Power Act

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MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE COMMENTS OUT OF TIME

The United States Department of Justice requests leave to file its Comments in the above captioned matter one day late due to unexpected processing delays. The Department's Comments address important issues of the application of the Department's Merger Guidelines. Filing of the Comments on the day following the due date will not delay the Commission's consideration of these issues nor prejudice any other party.

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¹U.S. Department of Justice and Federal Trade Commission, Horizontal Merger Guidelines, reprinted at 4 Trade Reg. Rep. (CCH) ¶13,104 (April 2, 1992).